

On the trivectors of a 6-dimensional symplectic vector space

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Abstract

Let V be a 6-dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} , let f be a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V and let $Sp(V, f) \cong Sp_6(\mathbb{F})$ denote the symplectic group associated with (V, f) . The group $GL(V)$ has a natural action on the third exterior power $\bigwedge^3 V$ of V and this action defines 5 families of nonzero trivectors of V (four of whose are orbits for any choice of \mathbb{F}). In this paper, we divide three of these 5 families into orbits for the action of $Sp(V, f) \subseteq GL(V)$ on $\bigwedge^3 V$.

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1 Introduction

1.1 k -vectors

Let $n \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ and $k \in \{1, \dots, n\}$. Let V be an n -dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} and let $\bigwedge^k V$ denote the k -th exterior power of V . The elements of $\bigwedge^k V$ are called the k -vectors of V . A k -vector of V is called *decomposable* if it is of the form $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{v}_k$ for some vectors $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_k \in V$.

For every $\theta \in GL(V)$, there exists a unique $\bigwedge^k(\theta) \in GL(\bigwedge^k V)$ such that $\bigwedge^k(\theta)(\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \dots \wedge \bar{v}_k) = \theta(\bar{v}_1) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}_2) \wedge \dots \wedge \theta(\bar{v}_k)$, $\forall \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_k \in V$. Two k -vectors α_1 and α_2 of V are called *equivalent* if there exists a $\theta \in GL(V)$ for which $\bigwedge^k(\theta)(\alpha_1) = \alpha_2$.

The smallest value of k for which the classification of the (equivalence classes of) k -vectors is nontrivial is the case $k = 3$. Classification results regarding trivectors were obtained by several authors.

- Suppose V is an n -dimensional complex vector space. A classification of the trivectors of V was obtained in Reichel [14] for the case $n = 6$, in Schouten [17] for the case $n = 7$, in Gurevich [10] for the case $n = 8$ and in Vinberg & Èlašvili [18] for the case $n = 9$. A summary of the results obtained for the cases $n \in \{6, 7, 8\}$ can be found in Gurevich [11, §35].

- Suppose V is an n -dimensional real vector space. A classification of the trivectors of V was obtained in Gurevich [8, 9] and Capdevielle [1] for the case $n = 6$, in Westwick [19] for the case $n = 7$ and in Djoković [7] for the case $n = 8$.
- Suppose V is a vector space of dimension $n \in \{6, 7\}$ over a perfect field of cohomological dimension at most 1. A classification of the trivectors of V was obtained in Cohen & Helminck [2].
- Suppose V is a vector space over an arbitrary field \mathbb{F} . A classification of the trivectors of V was obtained in Revoy [15] for the case $n = 6$ and in Revoy [16] for the case $n = 7$.

The case of interest in the present paper is the case of the classification of the trivectors of a 6-dimensional vector space. We will state this classification result in the following subsection.

1.2 The classification of the trivectors of a 6-dimensional vector space

Suppose V is a 6-dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} . Let $B^* = (\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \dots, \bar{e}_6^*)$ be a given ordered basis of V and let $\bar{\mathbb{F}}$ denote a fixed algebraic closure of \mathbb{F} . For every quadratic extension \mathbb{F}_1 of \mathbb{F} contained in $\bar{\mathbb{F}}$, we will now define a certain trivector $\alpha_{\mathbb{F}_1}^*$ of V . The field \mathbb{F}_1 can be regarded as the splitting field of some irreducible quadratic polynomial $q(X) = X^2 - aX - b \in \mathbb{F}[X]$. Since $b = -q(0) \neq 0 \neq q(1) = 1 - a - b$, the values $\mu_1 := a + b - 1$ and $\mu_2 := \frac{1-a-b}{b}$ are nonzero. The field \mathbb{F}_1 is also the splitting field of the quadratic polynomial $\mu_2 X^2 - (\mu_1 \mu_2 + \mu_1 + \mu_2)X + \mu_1 \in \mathbb{F}[X]$. Now, define

$$\alpha_{\mathbb{F}_1}^* := \mu_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \mu_2 \cdot \bar{e}_4^* \wedge \bar{e}_5^* \wedge \bar{e}_6^* + (\bar{e}_1^* + \bar{e}_4^*) \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_5^*) \wedge (\bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_6^*).$$

Proposition 1.1 (Revoy [15]) • *If \mathbb{F}_1 and \mathbb{F}_2 are two distinct quadratic extensions of \mathbb{F} contained in $\bar{\mathbb{F}}$, then $\alpha_{\mathbb{F}_1}^*$ and $\alpha_{\mathbb{F}_2}^*$ are not equivalent.*

• *Every nonzero trivector of V is equivalent with precisely one of the following vectors:*

- (A) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$;
- (B) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_4^* \wedge \bar{e}_5^*$;
- (C) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_4^* \wedge \bar{e}_5^* \wedge \bar{e}_6^*$;
- (D) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_4^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{e}_5^* + \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{e}_6^*$;
- (E) $\alpha_{\mathbb{F}_1}^*$ for some quadratic extension \mathbb{F}_1 of \mathbb{F} contained in $\bar{\mathbb{F}}$.

Let $X \in \{A, B, C, D, E\}$. A trivector α of V is said to be of *Type (X)* if it is equivalent to the trivector which was described in (X) of Proposition 1.1.

The description of the trivector $\alpha_{\mathbb{F}_1}^*$ given above is taken from De Bruyn [6] and is more symmetric than the descriptions given in [2] and [15], where a distinction has been made between the case where the extension \mathbb{F}_1/\mathbb{F} is separable and the case where this extension is not separable.

1.3 The main results

We continue with the notation introduced in Section 1.2. Suppose f is a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V . If \bar{v} is a vector of V , then \bar{v}^\perp denotes the subspace of V consisting of all vectors $\bar{w} \in V$ for which $f(\bar{v}, \bar{w}) = 0$. If U is a set of vectors of V , then U^\perp denotes the subspace $\bigcap_{\bar{u} \in U} \bar{u}^\perp$ of V .

If $B = (\bar{b}_1, \bar{b}_2, \dots, \bar{b}_6)$ is an ordered basis of V and $\theta \in GL(V)$, then $\theta(B)$ denotes the ordered basis $(\theta(\bar{b}_1), \theta(\bar{b}_2), \dots, \theta(\bar{b}_6))$ of V . An ordered basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of V is called a *hyperbolic basis* of (V, f) if $f(\bar{e}_i, \bar{e}_j) = f(\bar{f}_i, \bar{f}_j) = 0$ and $f(\bar{e}_i, \bar{f}_j) = \delta_{ij}$ for all $i, j \in \{1, 2, 3\}$. Here, δ_{ij} denotes the Kronecker delta. Let $Sp(V, f) \cong Sp_6(\mathbb{F})$ denote the symplectic group associated with (V, f) , i.e. $Sp(V, f)$ consists of all $\theta \in GL(V)$ for which $f(\theta(\bar{v}_1), \theta(\bar{v}_2)) = f(\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2)$, $\forall \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 \in V$. The elements of $Sp(V, f)$ are precisely those elements of $GL(V)$ which map hyperbolic bases of (V, f) to hyperbolic bases of (V, f) .

Two trivectors α_1 and α_2 of V are called *$Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent* if there exists a $\theta \in Sp(V, f)$ such that $\bigwedge^3(\theta)(\alpha_1) = \alpha_2$. Clearly, if α_1 and α_2 are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent, then α_1 and α_2 are also equivalent. This means that each equivalence class of trivectors splits into a number of $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes.

The present paper is about the problem of classifying the $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes of trivectors of V . We give a complete classification of those $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes which contain trivectors of Type (A), (B) or (C). We were not (yet) able to deal with those $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes which contain trivectors of Type (D) or (E). This problem seems to be much harder. One of our motivations for classifying $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes of trivectors came from the study of hyperplanes of symplectic dual polar spaces.

We will now state the main results.

Theorem 1.2 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then every trivector of Type (A) of V is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with precisely one of the following trivectors:*

- (A1) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$;
- (A2) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$.

A trivector of V is said to be of *Type (Ai)*, $i \in \{1, 2\}$, if it is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with the trivector described in (Ai) of Theorem 1.2.

Theorem 1.3 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then every trivector of Type (B) of V is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with at least one of the following trivectors:*

- (B1) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$;
- (B2) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$;
- (B3) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$;
- (B4) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (B5) $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.

A trivector of V is said to be of *Type (Bi)*, $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 5\}$, if it is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector described in (Bi) of Theorem 1.3.

Theorem 1.4 (1) Let $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 5\}$ with $i \neq j$. Then no trivector of *Type (Bi)* is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of *Type (Bj)*.

(2) Let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\frac{\lambda}{\lambda'}$ is a square in \mathbb{F} .

(3) Let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then the trivectors $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ and $\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda = \lambda'$.

Theorem 1.5 Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then every trivector of *Type (C)* of V is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with at least one of the following trivectors:

- (C1) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C2) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C3) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C4) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C5) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C6) (only if $|\mathbb{F}| > 2$) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and some $\epsilon \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0, -1\}$.

A trivector of V is said to be of *Type (Ci)*, $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$, if it is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector described in (Ci) of Theorem 1.5.

Theorem 1.6 Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

(1) Let $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ with $i \neq j$. Then no trivector of *Type (Ci)* is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of *Type (Cj)*.

(2) If $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$, then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.

(3) If $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$, then the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda = \lambda'$.

(4) If $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$, then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.

(5) If $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$, then the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.

(6) If $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$, then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.

(7) If $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and $\epsilon, \epsilon' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0, -1\}$, then the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\epsilon' = \epsilon$ and $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.

Notice that if $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 2$ and $j \in \{2, 3, \dots, 6\}$, then the two trivectors mentioned in Theorem 1.6(j) are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' = \lambda$. If $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 2$, then the two trivectors mentioned in Theorem 1.6(7) are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $(\lambda', \epsilon') = (\lambda, \epsilon)$.

2 Some useful lemmas

In this section V denotes a 6-dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} and f denotes a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V . Our aim is to derive some properties of hyperbolic bases of (V, f) and k -vectors of V which will prove useful for the determination of some $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes of trivectors of V .

Definition 2.1 Let $*$ be a symbol not contained in V . Let $(\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_6)$ be a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $S_i, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$, be an element of $V \cup \{*\}$. Then we say that (S_1, S_2, \dots, S_6) can be *extended to* $(\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \dots, \bar{v}_6)$ if $S_i = \bar{v}_i$ for every $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ for which $S_i \neq *$.

The following lemma has some similarity with Witt's extension theorem (Jacobson [12, p. 369]; Lang [13, p. 591]) for vector spaces equipped with a quadratic form.

Lemma 2.2 *For every $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$, let $S_i \in V \cup \{*\}$. Let I be the set of all $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ for which $S_i \in V$. Suppose the following holds for all $i_1, i_2 \in I$:*

$$f(S_{i_1}, S_{i_2}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } (i_1, i_2) \in \{(1, 2), (3, 4), (5, 6)\}; \\ -1 & \text{if } (i_1, i_2) \in \{(2, 1), (4, 3), (6, 5)\}; \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If moreover the $|I|$ vectors $S_i, i \in I$, are linearly independent, then (S_1, S_2, \dots, S_6) can be extended to a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

Proof. For every $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$, let j' be the element of $\{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ such that $\{j, j'\} \in \{\{1, 2\}, \{3, 4\}, \{5, 6\}\}$. We will prove the lemma by downwards induction on $|I| \in \{0, 1, \dots, 6\}$. The lemma trivially holds if $|I| = 6$. So, we will suppose that $|I| < 6$. Let i be the smallest element of $\{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ which is not contained in I . We distinguish two cases.

(1) Suppose that $i' \notin I$. We prove that $\langle S_j | j \in I \rangle^\perp \setminus \langle S_j | j \in I \rangle \neq \emptyset$, or equivalently that $\langle S_j | j \in I \rangle^\perp \cap \langle S_j | j \in I \rangle$ is properly contained in $\langle S_j | j \in I \rangle^\perp$. This follows from the fact that the subspace $\langle S_j | j \in I \rangle^\perp$ has dimension $6 - |I|$, while the subspace $\langle S_j | j \in I \rangle^\perp \cap \langle S_j | j \in I \rangle = \langle S_j | j \in I \text{ and } j' \notin I \rangle$ has dimension at most $4 - |I|$. (There are precisely $4 - |I|$ elements $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\} \setminus \{i, i'\}$ for which $j' \notin I$.) Now, let S'_i be a vector of $\langle S_j | j \in I \rangle^\perp \setminus \langle S_j | j \in I \rangle$ and put $S'_j := S_j$ for every $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\} \setminus \{i\}$. Then the $|I| + 1$ vectors $S'_j, j \in I \cup \{i\}$, are linearly independent. By the induction hypothesis, $(S'_1, S'_2, \dots, S'_6)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Hence, also (S_1, S_2, \dots, S_6) can be extended to a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

(2) Suppose that $i' \in I$. Since $S_{i'} \notin \langle S_j \mid j \in I \setminus \{i'\} \rangle$, there exists a vector S'_i in $\langle S_j \mid j \in I \setminus \{i'\} \rangle^\perp$ for which $f(S'_i, S_{i'}) = 1$ if $i' - i = 1$ and $f(S'_i, S_{i'}) = -1$ if $i - i' = 1$. Put $S'_j := S_j$ for every $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\} \setminus \{i\}$. Since $S_{i'}$ is orthogonal with every vector S_j , $j \in I$, $S'_i \notin \langle S'_j \mid j \in I \rangle$ and hence the $|I| + 1$ vectors S'_j , $j \in I \cup \{i\}$, are linearly independent. By the induction hypothesis, $(S'_1, S'_2, \dots, S'_6)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Hence, also (S_1, S_2, \dots, S_6) can be extended to a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . ■

Lemma 2.3 *If $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ and $(\bar{e}'_1, \bar{f}'_1, \bar{e}'_2, \bar{f}'_2, \bar{e}'_3, \bar{f}'_3)$ are two hyperbolic bases of V , then $\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3 = \bar{e}'_1 \wedge \bar{f}'_1 \wedge \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 \wedge \bar{f}'_3$.*

Proof. We have $\bar{e}'_1 \wedge \bar{f}'_1 \wedge \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 \wedge \bar{f}'_3 = \det(\eta) \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3$, where η is the element of $Sp(V, f)$ which maps the hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ to the hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}'_1, \bar{f}'_1, \bar{e}'_2, \bar{f}'_2, \bar{e}'_3, \bar{f}'_3)$. The lemma now follows from the fact that $\det(\eta) = 1$ for every $\eta \in Sp(V, f)$, see e.g. Cohn [3, Corollary 3.6.4] or Jacobson [12, p. 393]. ■

Lemma 2.4 *For every hyperbolic basis $B = (\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) , let W_B and \widetilde{W}_B denote the following subspaces of $\bigwedge^3 V$:*

$$\begin{aligned} W_B &= \langle \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3, \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3, \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3, \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3, \\ &\quad \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3, \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3, \\ &\quad \bar{e}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 - \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 - \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \\ &\quad \bar{e}_2 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 - \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \bar{f}_2 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 - \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \\ &\quad \bar{e}_3 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 - \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2), \bar{f}_3 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 - \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) \rangle, \\ \widetilde{W}_B &= \langle \bar{e}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \\ &\quad \bar{e}_2 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 + \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \bar{f}_2 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 + \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3), \\ &\quad \bar{e}_3 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 + \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2), \bar{f}_3 \wedge (\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 + \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Then W_B and \widetilde{W}_B are independent of the hyperbolic basis B of (V, f) .

Proof. It is known (see e.g. De Bruyn [4, Section 5]) that W_B is the subspace of $\bigwedge^3 V$ generated by all trivectors $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3$, where \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 and \bar{v}_3 are three vectors of V such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic with respect to f . So, W_B must be independent of the hyperbolic basis B of (V, f) . The subspace \widetilde{W}_B consists of all trivectors α of V for which $\alpha \wedge \chi = 0$, $\forall \chi \in W_B$. Hence, also this subspace is independent from the chosen hyperbolic basis B of (V, f) . ■

Definition 2.5 Put $W := W_B$ and $\widetilde{W} := \widetilde{W}_B$, where B is an arbitrary hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

One can easily verify that all nonzero vectors of \widetilde{W} are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent, see e.g. De Bruyn [5, Section 3.5]. In fact, every nonzero vector of \widetilde{W} is a trivector of Type (B3). The following is a list of all trivectors of Type (A), (B) and (C) which belong to W :

- the trivectors of Type (A1);
- the trivectors of Type (B3) if $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) = 2$;
- the trivectors of Type (B4);
- the trivectors of Type (C1).

Lemma 2.6 Suppose α_1 and α_2 are two $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent trivectors of V . Then $\alpha_1 \in W$ if and only if $\alpha_2 \in W$, and $\alpha_1 \in \widetilde{W}$ if and only if $\alpha_2 \in \widetilde{W}$.

Proof. Let $\theta \in Sp(V, f)$ for which $\alpha_2 = \bigwedge^3(\theta)(\alpha_1)$ and let B be an arbitrary hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then also $\theta(B)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Now, $\alpha_1 \in W \Leftrightarrow \alpha_1 \in W_B \Leftrightarrow \bigwedge^3(\theta)(\alpha_1) \in W_{\theta(B)} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_2 \in W$ and $\alpha_1 \in \widetilde{W} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_1 \in \widetilde{W}_B \Leftrightarrow \bigwedge^3(\theta)(\alpha_1) \in \widetilde{W}_{\theta(B)} \Leftrightarrow \alpha_2 \in \widetilde{W}$. ■

The following lemma is known, see e.g. De Bruyn [4, Section 4].

Lemma 2.7 For every hyperbolic basis $B = (\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) , let π_B denote the linear map from $\bigwedge^3 V$ to V defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3) &= \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3) = \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \bar{o}, \\ \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3) &= \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \bar{o}, \\ \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) &= \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \bar{e}_1, \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \bar{f}_1, \\ \pi_B(\bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1) &= \pi_B(\bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \bar{e}_2, \pi_B(\bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3) = \bar{f}_2, \\ \pi_B(\bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1) &= \pi_B(\bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) = \bar{e}_3, \pi_B(\bar{f}_3 \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_3 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) = \bar{f}_3. \end{aligned}$$

The π_B is independent of the chosen hyperbolic basis B of (V, f) .

Definition 2.8 Put $\pi := \pi_B$ where B is an arbitrary hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

Lemma 2.9 Let U be a 4-dimensional vector space over the field \mathbb{F} and let $\{\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3, \bar{u}_4\}, \{\bar{u}'_1, \bar{u}'_2, \bar{u}'_3, \bar{u}'_4\}$ be two bases of U such that $\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 + \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4 = \bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 + \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4$. Then $\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 \wedge \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4 = \bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 \wedge \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4$ and hence the linear map defined by $\bar{u}_i \mapsto \bar{u}'_i$, $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$, has determinant 1.

Proof. Observe first that if $\text{char}(\mathbb{F}) \neq 2$, then $2 \cdot \bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 \wedge \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4 = (\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 + \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4) \wedge (\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 + \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4) = (\bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 + \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4) \wedge (\bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 + \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4) = 2 \cdot \bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 \wedge \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4$ and hence $\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 \wedge \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4 = \bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 \wedge \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4$. The above argument however only works for fields of characteristic distinct from 2. We now give an argument which works for any field.

For every ordered basis $B = (\bar{b}_1, \bar{b}_2, \bar{b}_3, \bar{b}_4)$ of U , let η_B denote the following map from $\bigwedge^2 V$ to $\bigwedge^4 V$: $\beta_{12} \cdot \bar{b}_1 \wedge \bar{b}_2 + \beta_{13} \cdot \bar{b}_1 \wedge \bar{b}_3 + \beta_{14} \cdot \bar{b}_1 \wedge \bar{b}_4 + \beta_{23} \cdot \bar{b}_2 \wedge \bar{b}_3 + \beta_{24} \cdot \bar{b}_2 \wedge \bar{b}_4 + \beta_{34} \cdot \bar{b}_3 \wedge \bar{b}_4 \mapsto (\beta_{12}\beta_{34} - \beta_{13}\beta_{24} + \beta_{14}\beta_{23}) \cdot \bar{b}_1 \wedge \bar{b}_2 \wedge \bar{b}_3 \wedge \bar{b}_4$. If $B = (\bar{b}_1, \bar{b}_2, \bar{b}_3, \bar{b}_4)$ and $B' = (\bar{b}'_1, \bar{b}'_2, \bar{b}'_3, \bar{b}'_4)$ are two ordered bases of U , then we call B and B' neighboring ordered bases of U (notation: $B \sim B'$) if at least one of the following holds:

- $(\bar{b}'_1, \bar{b}'_2, \bar{b}'_3, \bar{b}'_4) = (\bar{b}_{\sigma(1)}, \bar{b}_{\sigma(2)}, \bar{b}_{\sigma(3)}, \bar{b}_{\sigma(4)})$ for some permutation σ of $\{1, 2, 3, 4\}$;

- $(\bar{b}'_1, \bar{b}'_2, \bar{b}'_3, \bar{b}'_4) = (\lambda \cdot \bar{b}_1, \bar{b}_2, \bar{b}_3, \bar{b}_4)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- $(\bar{b}'_1, \bar{b}'_2, \bar{b}'_3, \bar{b}'_4) = (\bar{b}_1 + \lambda \cdot \bar{b}_2, \bar{b}_2, \bar{b}_3, \bar{b}_4)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F}$.

One readily verifies that $\eta_B = \eta_{B'}$ if B and B' are two neighboring ordered bases of V . Now, if B and B' are two arbitrary ordered bases of U , then there exist ordered bases B_0, B_1, \dots, B_k of U (for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$) such that $B \sim B_0 \sim B_1 \sim \dots \sim B_k = B'$. This implies that $\eta_B = \eta_{B_0} = \eta_{B_1} = \dots = \eta_{B_k} = \eta_{B'}$.

Now, if we put $B = (\bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3, \bar{u}_4)$ and $B' = (\bar{u}'_1, \bar{u}'_2, \bar{u}'_3, \bar{u}'_4)$, then $\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 \wedge \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4 = \eta_B(\bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 + \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4) = \eta_B(\bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 + \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4) = \eta_{B'}(\bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 + \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4) = \bar{u}'_1 \wedge \bar{u}'_2 \wedge \bar{u}'_3 \wedge \bar{u}'_4 = \det(\theta) \cdot \bar{u}_1 \wedge \bar{u}_2 \wedge \bar{u}_3 \wedge \bar{u}_4$, where θ is the element of $GL(U)$ defined by $\bar{u}_i \mapsto \bar{u}'_i$, $i \in \{1, 2, 3, 4\}$. Hence, $\det(\theta) = 1$. \blacksquare

3 Trivectors of Type (A)

As before, let V be a 6-dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} and let f be a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V . In the following proposition, we determine all $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes of trivectors of Type (A).

Proposition 3.1 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then every trivector of Type (A) of V is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with precisely one of the following two trivectors:*

- (A1) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$;
- (A2) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$.

Proof. Let $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3$ be a given trivector of Type (A), where \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 and \bar{v}_3 are linearly independent vectors of V . We can distinguish two cases:

- (i) $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is a totally isotropic 3-space of (V, f) ;
- (ii) $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is not a totally isotropic 3-space of (V, f) .

Suppose case (i) occurs. Put $\bar{e}_1 := \bar{v}_1$, $\bar{e}_2 := \bar{v}_2$ and $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{v}_3$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3$. By Lemma 2.2, $(\bar{e}_1, *, \bar{e}_2, *, \bar{e}_3, *)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) .

Suppose case (ii) occurs. Let $\bar{u} \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \subseteq \bar{u}^\perp$. The vector \bar{u} is determined up to a nonzero factor of \mathbb{F} . Let $\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$. Then $\langle \bar{u}, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. Now, let $\bar{e}_1 \in \langle \bar{u} \rangle$ such that $\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3$. By Lemma 2.2, $(\bar{e}_1, *, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, *, *)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) . \blacksquare

Definition 3.2 A trivector of V is said to be of *Type (Ai)*, $i \in \{1, 2\}$, if it is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with the trivector described in (Ai) of Proposition 3.1.

4 Trivectors of Type (B)

As before, let V be a 6-dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} and let f be a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V . In this section, we determine all $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes of trivectors of Type (B).

Lemma 4.1 *If $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 are five linearly independent vectors of V , then there exist four vectors $\bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 of V such that*

- $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 are linearly independent;
- $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$;
- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp .

Proof. The lemma is certainly valid if at least one of the subspaces $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp . So, suppose that neither $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ nor $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp . Let \bar{w}_2 and \bar{w}_4 be nonzero vectors of \bar{v}_1^\perp contained in respectively $\langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$. Then there exist vectors $\bar{w}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\bar{w}_5 \in \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 = \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3$ and $\bar{w}_4 \wedge \bar{w}_5 = \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$. Since neither $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ nor $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp , $f(\bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_3) \neq 0 \neq f(\bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_5)$. So, there exists a $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $f(\bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_5) = 0$. The lemma now follows from the fact that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge \bar{w}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge (\bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_5) + \bar{v}_1 \wedge (\bar{w}_4 + \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_2) \wedge \bar{w}_5$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_5 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_1^\perp$. ■

Lemma 4.2 *Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 be five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp , $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. Then there exist four vectors $\bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 of V such that:*

- $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 are linearly independent;
- $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$;
- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$ is a totally isotropic subspace;
- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic and is contained in $(\bar{v}'_4)^\perp$;
- $\langle \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle \subseteq (\bar{v}'_5)^\perp$;
- $\bar{v}'_2 \in (\bar{v}'_4)^\perp$.

Proof. (a) We first prove the lemma in the special case that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is a totally isotropic subspace. Let \bar{v}'_4 denote a vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle \subseteq (\bar{v}'_4)^\perp$. Notice that \bar{v}'_4 is determined up to a nonzero factor of \mathbb{F} . Let \bar{v}'_5 be a vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \notin (\bar{v}'_5)^\perp$. So, $(\bar{v}'_5)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is a 2-space of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ which does not contain \bar{v}_1 . This 2-space contains a nonzero vector \bar{v}'_2 orthogonal with \bar{v}'_4 . Let \bar{v}'_3 be another vector of $(\bar{v}'_5)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3$. Then the vectors $\bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 satisfy the conditions of the lemma.

(b) We prove the lemma in the case that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is not a totally isotropic subspace. Let \bar{w}_4 be a vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ which is orthogonal with \bar{v}_1 . Since $\bar{w}_4 \notin \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp$, $\bar{w}_4^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is a 2-space of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ containing $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. So, there exists a $\bar{w}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ not orthogonal with \bar{w}_4 . Let

$\bar{w}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\bar{w}_5 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3$ and $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge \bar{w}_5$. Since $\bar{w}_3 \notin \bar{w}_2^\perp$ and $\bar{w}_4 \notin \bar{w}_2^\perp$, there exists a $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $\bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4 \in \bar{w}_2^\perp$. Now, $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge \bar{w}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge (\bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4) + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge (\bar{w}_5 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_2)$. Now, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4 \rangle$ is totally isotropic, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4 \rangle^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4 \rangle$ intersects $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_4, \bar{w}_5 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_2 \rangle$ in $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{w}_4, \bar{w}_5 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_2 \rangle$ is not contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp (since $\bar{w}_2 \in \bar{v}_1^\perp$ and $\bar{w}_5 \notin \bar{v}_1^\perp$). If we now apply part (a) of the proof, then we see that the lemma is also valid in this case. ■

Lemma 4.3 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . If $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 are five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp , $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$, then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$.*

Proof. By Lemma 4.2, we may suppose that:

- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic;
- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic and is contained in \bar{v}_4^\perp ;
- $\langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_5^\perp$;
- $\bar{v}_2 \in \bar{v}_4^\perp$.

Notice that $\bar{v}_1 \notin \bar{v}_5^\perp$. Put $\bar{e}_1 := \bar{v}_1$, let $\bar{f}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = 1$ and $\bar{f}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_3$. Since $\langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic, $\bar{v}_3 \notin \bar{v}_4^\perp$. We take $\bar{e}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and $\bar{e}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_2 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3$. So, $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_3$. Since $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_1) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_1) = f(\bar{f}_1, \bar{f}_3) = 0$, $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and $\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3$ are linearly independent, $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, *, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) by Lemma 2.2. ■

Lemma 4.4 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . If $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 are five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp , $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp and $\dim(\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle) = 2$, then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$.*

Proof. Since $\dim(\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle) = 2$, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \neq \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and hence $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic. Since $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not contained in \bar{v}_1^\perp , there exists a $\bar{w} \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{v}_1, \bar{w}) \neq 0$. Let \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2 be two vectors in $\bar{w}^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$, let $\bar{e}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$, let $\bar{f}_1 \in \langle \bar{w} \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = 1$, and let \bar{e}_3 be a vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle \cap \bar{f}_1^\perp$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3$. Since $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2) = f(\bar{f}_1, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3) = 0$, $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$ and $\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3$ are linearly independent, $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, *)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) by Lemma 2.2. ■

Lemma 4.5 *Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 be five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\bar{v}_1^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \neq \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$. Then there exist four vectors $\bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 such that:*

- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle = \bar{v}_1^\perp$;
- $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$;
- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic.

Proof. The lemma trivially holds if $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic. So, we may suppose that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic. Since $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \neq \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$, there exists a vector $\bar{w}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and a vector $\bar{w}_4 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\bar{w}_2 \notin \bar{w}_4^\perp$. Let $\bar{w}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\bar{w}_5 \in \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3$ and $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge \bar{w}_5$. Since $f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3) \neq 0 \neq f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_4)$, there exists a $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $\bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4 \in \bar{w}_2^\perp$. Now, $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge \bar{w}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge (\bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4) + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_4 \wedge (\bar{w}_5 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_2)$. If we put $\bar{v}'_2 := \bar{w}_2$, $\bar{v}'_3 := \bar{w}_3 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_4$, $\bar{v}'_4 := \bar{w}_4$ and $\bar{v}'_5 := \bar{w}_5 - \lambda \cdot \bar{w}_2$, then we see that the lemma holds. ■

Lemma 4.6 *Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 be five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\bar{v}_1^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ and $f(\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3) \neq f(\bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5)$. Then there exist four vectors $\bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4$ and \bar{v}'_5 such that*

- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle = \bar{v}_1^\perp$;
- $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$;
- $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic.

Proof. Let $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. We have $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge (\bar{v}_2 - \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_4) \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge (\bar{v}_5 + \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_3)$. Since $f(\bar{v}_2 - \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 + \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_3) = f(\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_5) - \lambda \cdot f(\bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5) + \lambda \cdot f(\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3) - \lambda^2 \cdot f(\bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_3) = \lambda \cdot (f(\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3) - f(\bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5)) \neq 0$, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2 - \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp \neq \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 + \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. The lemma now follows from Lemma 4.5. ■

Lemma 4.7 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 be five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\bar{v}_1^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ and $f(\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3) = f(\bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5)$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$.*

Proof. Since $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$, the subspaces $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ are not totally isotropic. Put $\bar{e}_2 := \bar{v}_2$ and $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{v}_4$. Let $\bar{f}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\bar{f}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$. Since $f(\bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3) = f(\bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5)$, there exists a $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ such that $\bar{v}_3 = \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_2$ and $\bar{v}_5 = \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_3$. If we put $\bar{e}_1 = \lambda \cdot \bar{v}_1$, we have $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3$. Since $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{f}_2, \bar{f}_3) = 0$, $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and $\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3$ are linearly independent, $(\bar{e}_1, *, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) by Lemma 2.2. ■

Lemma 4.8 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 be five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\bar{v}_1^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ are totally isotropic. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.*

Proof. Put $\bar{e}_1 := \bar{v}_1$, $\bar{e}_2 := \bar{v}_2$ and $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{v}_3$. For every $i \in \{2, 3\}$, let A_i be the two-space $\bar{e}_i^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$. If $\bar{u} \in (A_2 \cap A_3) \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$, then $\langle \bar{u}, \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ would be a totally isotropic 4-space, a contradiction. Hence, $A_2 \cap A_3 = \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. Let $\bar{f}_2 \in A_3 \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ and $\bar{f}_3 \in A_2 \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Since $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 0$, $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and $\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3$ are linearly independent, $(\bar{e}_1, *, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) by Lemma 2.2. ■

Lemma 4.9 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4$ and \bar{v}_5 be five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\bar{v}_1^\perp = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.*

Proof. Let $\bar{w}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$, $\bar{e}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ and $\bar{f}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ such that $\bar{w}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ and $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$. Put $A := \bar{e}_2^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $B := \bar{f}_2^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. Then A and B are two 2-spaces containing $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. We prove that $A \neq B$.

Suppose to the contrary that $A = B$. Let $\bar{w} \in \langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $\bar{w} \notin A = B$. Then every vector of $\bar{w}^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$ is orthogonal with every vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. If $\bar{u} \in (\bar{w}^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle) \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$, then $\langle \bar{u}, \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ would be a totally isotropic 4-space, a contradiction. Hence, $A \neq B$.

Now, let $\bar{w}_2 \in A$ and $\bar{w}_3 \in B$ such that $f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$ and $f(\bar{w}_3, \bar{e}_2) = -1$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \frac{1}{\lambda} \cdot \bar{w}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 + \bar{w}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Put $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{e}_2 - \bar{w}_2$ and $\bar{f}_3 := \bar{w}_3 - \bar{f}_2$. Then $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{w}_3) - f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) - f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3) + f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1 - 1 - 0 + 1 = 1$. Put $\bar{e}_1 := \frac{\bar{w}_1}{\lambda}$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 - \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \bar{f}_3)$. Since $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3) = f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_3) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{f}_2, \bar{f}_3) = 0$, $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and $\bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3$ are linearly independent, $(\bar{e}_1, *, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ can be extended to a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) by Lemma 2.2. ■

The following corollary of Lemmas 4.1, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7, 4.8 and 4.9 is precisely Theorem 1.3.

Corollary 4.10 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then every trivector of Type (B) of V is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with at least one of the following trivectors:*

- (B1) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$;
- (B2) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$;
- (B3) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$;
- (B4) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (B5) $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.

Definition 4.11 A trivector of V is said to be of Type (Bi), $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 5\}$, if it is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with the trivector described in (Bi) of Corollary 4.10.

Lemma 4.12 *Let $i \in \{1, 2, 4, 5\}$. Then no trivector of Type (B3) is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of Type (Bi).*

Proof. Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. The trivector $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ belongs to the subspace \widetilde{W} , while none of the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$, $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$, $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$, $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ belongs to \widetilde{W} . The lemma now follows from Lemma 2.6. ■

Lemma 4.13 *No trivector of Type (B4) is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of Type (B5).*

Proof. Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. The trivector $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ belongs to W , while the trivector $\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ does not belong to W . The lemma now follows from Lemma 2.6. ■

Lemma 4.14 *If $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5\}$ and $\{\bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5\}$ are two sets of five linearly independent vectors of V such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$, then $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle$.*

Proof. By De Bruyn [6, Section 7.3], the set of all vectors \bar{x} of V for which $(\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5) \wedge \bar{x} = \bar{o}$ coincides with the subspace $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. Since $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$, this set is also equal to $\langle \bar{v}'_1 \rangle$. By De Bruyn [6, Section 7.3], the set of all vectors \bar{x} of V for which $(\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5) \wedge \bar{x}$ is decomposable coincides with the subspace $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle$. Since $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$, this set is also equal to $\langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle$. ■

Lemma 4.15 *No trivector of Type (B1) is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of Type (B2).*

Proof. Let $B^* = (\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Suppose the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a hyperbolic basis $B = (\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) such that $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3$. By Lemma 4.14, $\langle \bar{e}_1^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_3 \rangle$. Hence, $\langle \bar{e}_2^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle^\perp = \langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_3 \rangle^\perp = \langle \bar{e}_3 \rangle$. We also have $\bar{f}_3^* = \pi_{B^*}(\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*) = \pi_B(\bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3) = \bar{e}_1 + \bar{e}_3$. Hence, $\bar{f}_3^* \in \langle \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^* \rangle$, a contradiction. ■

Lemma 4.16 *Suppose $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5\}$ and $\{\bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5\}$ are two sets of five linearly independent vectors of V . Put $\alpha = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5$ and $\alpha' := \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5$. If α and α' are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent, then $\dim(\bar{v}_1^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle) = \dim((\bar{v}'_1)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle)$.*

Proof. Suppose α and α' are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a $\theta \in Sp(V, f)$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 = \theta(\bar{v}'_1) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_2) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_3) + \theta(\bar{v}'_1) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_4) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_5)$. By Lemma

4.14, $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle = \langle \theta(\bar{v}'_1) \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle = \langle \theta(\bar{v}'_1), \theta(\bar{v}'_2), \theta(\bar{v}'_3), \theta(\bar{v}'_4), \theta(\bar{v}'_5) \rangle$. Hence, $\dim(\bar{v}_1^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle) = \dim(\theta(\bar{v}'_1)^\perp \cap \langle \theta(\bar{v}'_1), \theta(\bar{v}'_2), \theta(\bar{v}'_3), \theta(\bar{v}'_4), \theta(\bar{v}'_5) \rangle) = \dim(\theta((\bar{v}'_1)^\perp) \cap \langle \theta(\bar{v}'_1), \theta(\bar{v}'_2), \theta(\bar{v}'_3), \theta(\bar{v}'_4), \theta(\bar{v}'_5) \rangle) = \dim((\bar{v}'_1)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle)$. This implies that $\dim(\bar{v}_1^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5 \rangle) = \dim((\bar{v}'_1)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5 \rangle)$. ■

The following is an immediate corollary of Lemma 4.16.

Corollary 4.17 *Let $i \in \{1, 2\}$ and $j \in \{4, 5\}$. Then no trivector of Type (Bi) is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of Type (Bj).*

Lemma 4.18 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda}$ is a square in \mathbb{F} .*

Proof. Suppose $\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} = \mu^2$ where $\mu \in \mathbb{F}$. Since $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = (\mu \cdot \bar{e}_1^*) \wedge (\frac{\bar{e}_2^*}{\mu}) \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot (\mu \cdot \bar{e}_1^*) \wedge (\mu \cdot \bar{f}_2^*) \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $(\mu \cdot \bar{e}_1^*, \frac{\bar{f}_1^*}{\mu}, \frac{\bar{e}_2^*}{\mu}, \mu \cdot \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) , the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent.

Conversely, suppose that the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) such that $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3$. By Lemma 4.14, $\langle \bar{e}_1^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_2, \bar{f}_3 \rangle$. Let $\mu \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4 \in \mathbb{F}$ such that $\bar{e}_1 = \mu \cdot \bar{e}_1^*$ and such that each of the vectors $\bar{e}'_2 := \bar{e}_2 + \mu_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1$, $\bar{e}'_3 := \bar{e}_3 + \mu_2 \cdot \bar{e}_1$, $\bar{f}'_2 := \bar{f}_2 + \mu_3 \cdot \bar{e}_1$, $\bar{f}'_3 := \bar{f}_3 + \mu_4 \cdot \bar{e}_1$ belongs to $\langle \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle$. Then $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}'_2, \bar{f}'_2, \bar{e}'_3, \bar{f}'_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \mu \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 + (\mu\lambda') \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_3$. So, $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* - \mu \cdot \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 - (\mu\lambda') \cdot \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_3) = 0$ and hence $\bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \mu \cdot \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 + (\mu\lambda') \cdot \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_3$. By Lemma 2.9 applied to the subspace $\langle \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle$, $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = (\mu^2\lambda') \cdot \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 \wedge \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_3$. Hence, $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = (\mu^2\lambda') \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{e}'_3 \wedge \bar{f}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_3$. By Lemma 2.3, $\lambda = \mu^2\lambda'$. So, $\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda}$ is a square in \mathbb{F} . ■

Lemma 4.19 *Let $B^* = (\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ and $\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda = \lambda'$.*

Proof. Suppose the trivectors $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ and $\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a hyperbolic basis $B = (\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) such that $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 - \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \bar{f}_3)$. By Lemma 4.14, $\langle \bar{e}_1^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle = \langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3 \rangle$. We have $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* = \pi_{B^*}(\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)) = \pi_B(\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \bar{e}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 - \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \bar{f}_3)) = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1$. Let $\mu_1, \mu_2, \mu_3, \mu_4 \in \mathbb{F}$ such that each of the vectors $\bar{e}'_2 := \bar{e}_2 + \mu_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1$, $\bar{e}'_3 := \bar{e}_3 + \mu_2 \cdot \bar{e}_1$, $\bar{f}'_2 := \bar{f}_2 + \mu_3 \cdot \bar{e}_1$, $\bar{f}'_3 := \bar{f}_3 + \mu_4 \cdot \bar{e}_1$ belongs to $\langle \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle$. Then $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}'_2, \bar{f}'_2, \bar{e}'_3, \bar{f}'_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Now, $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) = \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}'_2 \wedge \bar{f}'_2 + \frac{\lambda}{\lambda'} \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}'_2 - \bar{e}'_3) \wedge (\bar{f}'_2 + \bar{f}'_3)$.

This implies that $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + (\bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) = \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2' \wedge \bar{f}_2' + \frac{\lambda}{\lambda'} \cdot (\bar{e}_2' - \bar{e}_3') \wedge (\bar{f}_2' + \bar{f}_3')$. By Lemma 2.9 applied to the subspace $\langle \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^* \rangle$, we have $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda'} \cdot \bar{e}_2' \wedge \bar{f}_2' \wedge \bar{e}_3' \wedge \bar{f}_3'$ and hence also $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda'} \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2' \wedge \bar{f}_2' \wedge \bar{e}_3' \wedge \bar{f}_3'$. By Lemma 2.3, we then have that $\lambda = \frac{\lambda^2}{\lambda'}$, i.e. $\lambda' = \lambda$. \blacksquare

Theorem 1.4 is a consequence of Lemmas 4.12, 4.13, 4.15, 4.18, 4.19 and Corollary 4.17.

5 Trivectors of Type (C)

As before, let V be a 6-dimensional vector space over a field \mathbb{F} and let f be a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V . In this section, we determine all $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalence classes of trivectors of Type (C).

Lemma 5.1 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5$ and \bar{v}_6 be six linearly independent vectors of V such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ are totally isotropic. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.*

Proof. Put $\bar{e}_1 := \bar{v}_1, \bar{e}_2 := \bar{v}_2$ and $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{v}_3$. For every $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, put $A_i := \bar{e}_i^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. If $A_1 \cap A_2 \cap A_3$ would contain a nonzero vector \bar{u} , then $\langle \bar{u}, \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ would be a totally isotropic 4-space, a contradiction. So, we necessarily have $\dim(A_1 \cap A_2) = \dim(A_1 \cap A_3) = \dim(A_2 \cap A_3) = 1$. For every $i \in \{1, 2, 3\}$, let \bar{f}_i be the unique vector in $\bigcap_{j \in \{1, 2, 3\} \setminus \{i\}} A_j$ satisfying $f(\bar{e}_i, \bar{f}_i) = 1$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Obviously, $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . \blacksquare

Lemma 5.2 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5$ and \bar{v}_6 be six linearly independent vectors of V such that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is totally isotropic and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ is not totally isotropic. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.*

Proof. Without loss of generality, we may suppose that $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$.

Suppose \bar{u}_1 is a nonzero vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ orthogonal with $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. Let \bar{u}_2 and \bar{u}_3 be vectors of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ such that $\langle \bar{u}_1, \bar{u}_2, \bar{u}_3 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. Clearly, $\bar{u}_2^\perp \cap \bar{u}_3^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ contains a nonzero vector \bar{w} . But then $\langle \bar{w}, \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ would be a totally isotropic 4-space, a contradiction. Hence, no nonzero vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is orthogonal with $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$.

Put $\bar{e}_2 := \bar{v}_5$ and let $\bar{f}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$. For every $i \in \{4, 5, 6\}$, put $A_i := \bar{v}_i^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. By the previous paragraph, $A_4 \cap A_5 \cap A_6 = 0$. Hence, $\dim(A_4 \cap A_5) = \dim(A_4 \cap A_6) = \dim(A_5 \cap A_6) = 1$. Let \bar{w}_2 be the unique vector of $A_4 \cap A_5$ for which $f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$, let \bar{w}_3 be the unique vector of $A_4 \cap A_6$ for which $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{w}_3) = 1$, let \bar{f}_1 be the unique vector of $A_5 \cap A_6$ for which $\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3$ and let \bar{e}_1 be the unique vector of $\langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ for which $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = 1$. Now, put $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{w}_2 - \bar{e}_2$ and $\bar{f}_3 := \bar{f}_2 - \bar{w}_3$.

Then $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 - \bar{f}_3) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. ■

Lemma 5.3 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a fixed hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5$ and \bar{v}_6 be 6 linearly independent vectors of V such that neither $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ nor $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ is totally isotropic. Suppose moreover that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_1^\perp$, $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$ and $\bar{v}_4 \notin \bar{v}_1^\perp$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with at least one of the following trivectors:*

- $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (only if $|\mathbb{F}| > 2$) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and some $\epsilon \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0, -1\}$.

Proof. Let A be the 2-space $\bar{v}_4^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and let B be the 2-space $\bar{v}_1^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. We distinguish 3 cases.

(I) Suppose that $B \subseteq A^\perp$. Let \bar{e}_2 and \bar{f}_2 be two vectors of A such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$, let \bar{e}_3 and \bar{f}_3 be two vectors of B such that $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$, let $\bar{e}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ and let $\bar{f}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = 1$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Obviously, $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

(II) Suppose $A^\perp \cap B = \langle \bar{w}_5 \rangle$ for some nonzero vector \bar{w}_5 of B . Let $\bar{w}_6 \in B \setminus \langle \bar{w}_5 \rangle$. Since $A^\perp \cap B = \langle \bar{w}_5 \rangle$, $\bar{w}_6^\perp \cap A = \langle \bar{w}_2 \rangle$ for some nonzero vector \bar{w}_2 . Let $\bar{w}_3 \in A \setminus \langle \bar{w}_2 \rangle$. Since $\bar{w}_6 \notin \bar{w}_3^\perp$, there exists a $\bar{w}_3' \in \langle \bar{w}_3 \rangle$ and a $\bar{w}_6' \in \langle \bar{w}_6 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{w}_3', \bar{w}_6') = -1$. Let $\bar{w}_5' \in \langle \bar{w}_5 \rangle$ and $\bar{w}_2' \in \langle \bar{w}_2 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{w}_2', \bar{w}_3') = f(\bar{w}_5', \bar{w}_6') = 1$. There exist unique vectors $\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3$ of V such that $\bar{w}_2' = \bar{e}_2$, $\bar{w}_3' = \bar{f}_2$, $\bar{w}_5' = \bar{e}_3$ and $\bar{w}_6' = \bar{e}_2 + \bar{f}_3$. Now, let $\bar{f}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ such that $\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_5' \wedge \bar{w}_6' = \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6$ and let $\bar{e}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = 1$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{f}_3) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. One can verify that $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) .

(III) Suppose that $A^\perp \cap B = 0$. By the discussion in (II), we then also know that $B^\perp \cap A = 0$ (since $\dim(B^\perp \cap A) = 1$ implies that $\dim(A^\perp \cap B) = 1$). Let V' be the 4-dimensional subspace $\langle A, B \rangle$ and let f' be the restriction of f to $V' \times V'$. Since $V' = \langle A, B \rangle = \{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_4\}^\perp$ and $\bar{v}_1 \notin \bar{v}_4^\perp$, f' is a nondegenerate alternating bilinear form on V' . Let \bar{v}_5' and \bar{v}_6' be two vectors of B such that $\bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5' \wedge \bar{v}_6'$. Let $\bar{v}_2' \in A \cap (\bar{v}_5')^\perp$ and $\bar{v}_3' \in A \cap (\bar{v}_6')^\perp$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2' \wedge \bar{v}_3'$. Put $\bar{e}_2 := \bar{v}_5'$, let $\bar{f}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_6' \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$, let $\bar{w}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_2' \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$, let $\bar{w}_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_3' \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{w}_3, \bar{e}_2) = -1$, let $\bar{f}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$ such that $\bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2' \wedge \bar{v}_3' = \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3$ and let $\bar{e}_1 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1) = 1$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{w}_2 \wedge \bar{w}_3 + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.

Now, put $\epsilon := f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3) - 1$. Since $f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3) \neq 0$, $\epsilon \neq -1$. Suppose $\epsilon = 0$. Then $f(\bar{w}_2, \bar{w}_3) = 1$ and one verifies that $f(\bar{w}_2 - \bar{e}_2, \bar{u}) = 0$ for all $\bar{u} \in \langle A, B \rangle$. This contradicts the fact that f' is nondegenerate. Hence, $|\mathbb{F}| > 2$ and $\epsilon \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0, -1\}$. Now, define $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{w}_2 - \bar{e}_2$ and $\bar{f}_3 := \frac{\bar{w}_3 - \bar{f}_2}{\epsilon}$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ and $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . ■

Lemma 5.4 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a fixed hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Let $\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5$ and \bar{v}_6 be six linearly independent vectors of V such that neither $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ nor $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ is totally isotropic. Suppose moreover that $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_1^\perp$, $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$ and $\bar{v}_4 \in \bar{v}_1^\perp$. Then $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6$ is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$.*

Proof. Since $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$, $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ cannot be contained in \bar{v}_4^\perp . So, $\bar{v}_4^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is a 2-space A_1 of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. In a similar way, one proves that $\bar{v}_1^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ is a 2-space B_1 of $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$.

Suppose \bar{u} is a nonzero vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ orthogonal with $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. By the previous paragraph, $\bar{u} \notin \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. Since \bar{u} is orthogonal with \bar{v}_4 , $\bar{u} \in A_1 \setminus \langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. Since $A_1 \subseteq \bar{u}^\perp$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{u}^\perp$, we would have $\bar{u}^\perp = \langle A_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. On the other hand, since $A_1 \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$, we also know that $\bar{v}_4^\perp = \langle A_1, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. This implies that $\bar{u} \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$, clearly a contradiction. Hence, no nonzero vector of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ is orthogonal with $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. In a similar way, one proves that no nonzero vector of $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ is orthogonal with $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$.

Put $\bar{e}_1 := \bar{v}_1$ and let \bar{w}_6 be a vector of $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ for which $f(\bar{e}_1, \bar{w}_6) = 1$. Put $B_2 := \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{w}_6 \rangle$. Then B_1 and B_2 are two distinct 2-spaces of $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ through $\langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$. Let \bar{f}_3 be a vector of B_1 for which $f(\bar{w}_6, \bar{f}_3) = 1$. Put $A_2 := \bar{f}_3^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$. If $A_1 = A_2$, then any nonzero vector of $A_1 = A_2$ orthogonal with \bar{w}_6 would be orthogonal with $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$, contradicting the previous paragraph. Hence, A_1 and A_2 are two distinct 2-spaces of $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ through $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle$. Let \bar{e}_3' denote a vector of A_1 for which $f(\bar{e}_3', \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and put $\bar{e}_3 := \bar{e}_3' - f(\bar{e}_3', \bar{w}_6) \cdot \bar{e}_1$. Then $\bar{e}_3 \in A_1$, $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3) = 1$ and $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{w}_6) = 0$. Now, let \bar{w}_3' be a vector of A_2 for which $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{w}_3') = 1$ and put $\bar{w}_3 := \bar{w}_3' - (f(\bar{w}_3', \bar{w}_6) + 1) \cdot \bar{e}_1$. Then $f(\bar{e}_3, \bar{w}_3) = 1$ and $f(\bar{w}_3, \bar{w}_6) = -1$. Now, put $\bar{f}_1 := \bar{w}_6 - \bar{e}_3$ and $\bar{f}_2 := \bar{w}_3 - \bar{f}_3$. Since $\bar{w}_3 \notin \bar{v}_4^\perp$ and $\bar{f}_3 \in \bar{v}_4^\perp$, we have $\bar{f}_2 \notin \bar{v}_4^\perp$. Let $\bar{e}_2 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle$ such that $f(\bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2) = 1$. We can now easily verify that $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Moreover, $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \lambda_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \bar{f}_3) + \lambda_2 \cdot \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3 \wedge (\bar{f}_1 + \bar{e}_3)$ for some $\lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Since $(\lambda_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1, \frac{\bar{f}_1}{\lambda_1}, \frac{\bar{e}_2}{\lambda_1}, \lambda_1 \cdot \bar{f}_2, \frac{\bar{e}_3}{\lambda_1}, \lambda_1 \cdot \bar{f}_3)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and $\lambda_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \bar{f}_3) + \lambda_2 \cdot \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3 \wedge (\bar{f}_1 + \bar{e}_3) = (\lambda_1 \cdot \bar{e}_1) \wedge \frac{\bar{e}_3}{\lambda_1} \wedge (\lambda_1 \cdot \bar{f}_3 + \lambda_1 \cdot \bar{f}_2) + (\lambda_1 \lambda_2) \cdot \frac{\bar{e}_2}{\lambda_1} \wedge (\lambda_1 \cdot \bar{f}_3) \wedge (\frac{\bar{f}_1}{\lambda_1} + \frac{\bar{e}_3}{\lambda_1})$, we see that the lemma is valid. ■

The following is a consequence of Lemmas 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4.

Corollary 5.5 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) . Then every trivector of Type (C) of V is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with at least one of the following trivectors:*

- (C1) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C2) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C3) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C4) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C5) $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$;
- (C6) (only if $|\mathbb{F}| > 2$) $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ for some $\lambda \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$ and some $\epsilon \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0, -1\}$.

Definition 5.6 A trivector of V is said to be of *Type (Ci)*, $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$, if it is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with the trivector described in (Ci) of Corollary 5.5.

Lemma 5.7 Let $\{\bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3, \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6\}$ and $\{\bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3, \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6\}$ be two sets of six linearly independent vectors of V . If $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$, then precisely one of the following cases occurs:

- (1) $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$, $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$, $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3$ and $\bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$;
- (2) $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$, $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$, $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$ and $\bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3$.

Proof. By De Bruyn [6, Section 7.3], the set of all vectors \bar{x} for which $(\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6) \wedge \bar{x}$ is decomposable is equal to $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \cup \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$. Since $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$, this set is also equal to $\langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle \cup \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$. Hence, either $(\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle)$ or $(\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle)$.

Suppose the former case occurs. Since $\langle \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ are two distinct 1-spaces of $\bigwedge^3 V$, $\bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 \in \langle \bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 \rangle$, $\bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6 \in \langle \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ and $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$, we necessarily have $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 = \bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3$ and $\bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$. So, case (1) of the lemma occurs.

If $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$, then one proves in a similar way that case (2) of the lemma occurs. ■

Lemma 5.8 Let $i, j \in \{1, 2, \dots, 6\}$ with $i \neq j$. Then no trivector of Type (Ci) is $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent with a trivector of Type (Cj).

Proof. Suppose $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6$ and $\bar{v}'_1 \wedge \bar{v}'_2 \wedge \bar{v}'_3 + \bar{v}'_4 \wedge \bar{v}'_5 \wedge \bar{v}'_6$ are two $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent trivectors, and that $\langle \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_1^\perp$, $\langle \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle \subseteq \bar{v}_4^\perp$, $\langle \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle \subseteq (\bar{v}'_1)^\perp$ and $\langle \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle \subseteq (\bar{v}'_4)^\perp$. There exists a $\theta \in Sp(V, f)$ such that $\bar{v}_1 \wedge \bar{v}_2 \wedge \bar{v}_3 + \bar{v}_4 \wedge \bar{v}_5 \wedge \bar{v}_6 = \theta(\bar{v}'_1) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_2) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_3) + \theta(\bar{v}'_4) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_5) \wedge \theta(\bar{v}'_6)$. By Lemma 5.7, precisely one of the following cases occurs:

- (I) $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle)$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle)$;
- (II) $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle)$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle)$.

So, if one/two of the subspaces $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ are totally isotropic, then also one/two of the subspaces $\langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$ are totally isotropic. This implies that the lemma holds if $\{i, j\} \cap \{1, 2\} \neq \emptyset$. So, we may suppose that $3 \leq i, j \leq 6$ and that none of the subspaces $\langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle, \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$ is totally isotropic. If case (I) occurs, then we necessarily have $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_1 \rangle)$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_4 \rangle)$. If case (II) occurs, then we necessarily have $\langle \bar{v}_1 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_4 \rangle)$ and $\langle \bar{v}_4 \rangle = \theta(\langle \bar{v}'_1 \rangle)$. In any case, we have $\bar{v}_1 \in \bar{v}_4^\perp$ if and only if $\bar{v}'_1 \in (\bar{v}'_4)^\perp$. This implies that the lemma holds if $5 \in \{i, j\}$. So, we may suppose that $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{3, 4, 6\}$ and that $\bar{v}_1 \notin \bar{v}_4^\perp$, $\bar{v}'_1 \notin (\bar{v}'_4)^\perp$. Now, put $A := \bar{v}_4^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_1, \bar{v}_2, \bar{v}_3 \rangle$, $A' := (\bar{v}'_4)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}'_1, \bar{v}'_2, \bar{v}'_3 \rangle$, $B := \bar{v}_1^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}_4, \bar{v}_5, \bar{v}_6 \rangle$ and $B' := (\bar{v}'_1)^\perp \cap \langle \bar{v}'_4, \bar{v}'_5, \bar{v}'_6 \rangle$. Regardless of

whether case (I) or case (II) occurs, we always have $\{A, B\} = \{\theta(A'), \theta(B')\}$. So, we have $B \subseteq A^\perp \Leftrightarrow A \subseteq B^\perp \Leftrightarrow B' \subseteq (A')^\perp \Leftrightarrow A' \subseteq (B')^\perp$, $\dim(B \cap A^\perp) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \dim(A \cap B^\perp) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \dim(A' \cap (B')^\perp) = 1 \Leftrightarrow \dim(B' \cap (A')^\perp) = 1$ and $A^\perp \cap B = 0 \Leftrightarrow B^\perp \cap A = 0 \Leftrightarrow (A')^\perp \cap B' = 0 \Leftrightarrow (B')^\perp \cap A' = 0$. This implies that the lemma also holds if $\{i, j\} \subseteq \{3, 4, 6\}$. ■

Lemma 5.9 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.*

Proof. Since $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = (\lambda \bar{f}_1^*) \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* + (-\lambda) \cdot (-\frac{\bar{e}_1^*}{\lambda}) \wedge (-\bar{e}_2^*) \wedge (-\bar{e}_3^*)$ and $(\lambda \bar{f}_1^*, -\frac{\bar{e}_1^*}{\lambda}, \bar{f}_2^*, -\bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_3^*, -\bar{e}_3^*)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) , we see that the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent.

Conversely, suppose that $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) such that $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3$. By Lemma 5.7, either $(\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3)$ or $(\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3)$. In the former case, we have $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3$ and hence $\lambda = \lambda'$ by Lemma 2.3. In the latter case, we have $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_3 \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{e}_3$ and hence $\lambda = -\lambda'$ by Lemma 2.3. ■

Lemma 5.10 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' = \lambda$.*

Proof. Suppose that $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a hyperbolic basis $(\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) such that $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 - \bar{f}_3) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$. By Lemma 5.7, $\langle \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^* \rangle$ is equal to either $\langle \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_2 - \bar{f}_3 \rangle$ or $\langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2 \rangle$. Since $\langle \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^* \rangle$ is totally isotropic and $\langle \bar{e}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2 \rangle$ is not, we necessarily have $\langle \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^* \rangle = \langle \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_2 - \bar{f}_3 \rangle$. So by Lemma 5.7, $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 - \bar{f}_3)$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$. Hence, $\lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*) \wedge \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 - \bar{f}_3) \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$, i.e. $-\lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = -\lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_3 \wedge \bar{f}_3 \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$. This implies that $\lambda = \lambda'$ by Lemma 2.3. ■

Lemma 5.11 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.*

Proof. Since $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* = (\lambda \bar{f}_1^*) \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* + (-\lambda) \cdot (-\frac{\bar{e}_1^*}{\lambda}) \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $(\lambda \bar{f}_1^*, -\frac{\bar{e}_1^*}{\lambda}, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) , we see that the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent.

Conversely, if the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* + \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent, then a similar argument as the one of the proof of Lemma 5.9 shows that $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$. ■

Lemma 5.12 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.*

Proof. Since $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = (\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^*) \wedge (-\bar{e}_2^*) \wedge (\bar{e}_3^* + (-\bar{e}_3^* - \bar{f}_2^*)) + (-\lambda) \cdot (-\frac{\bar{f}_1^*}{\lambda}) \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*)$ and $(-\frac{\bar{f}_1^*}{\lambda}, \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*, -\bar{e}_2^*, -\bar{e}_3^* - \bar{f}_2^*)$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) , we see that the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent.

Conversely, if the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent, then a similar argument as the one of the proof of Lemma 5.9 shows that $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$. ■

Lemma 5.13 *Let $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.*

Proof. Since $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*) = \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$, where $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*) := (-\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^*, -\frac{\bar{f}_2^*}{\lambda}, \frac{\bar{e}_1^*}{\lambda}, \lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^*, -\frac{\bar{f}_3^*}{\lambda}, \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_3^*)$ is a hyperbolic basis, the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent.

Conversely, if the trivectors $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ and $\bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_3^* + \bar{f}_2^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_3^* \wedge (\bar{f}_1^* + \bar{e}_3^*)$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent, then a similar argument as in the proof of Lemma 5.9 shows that $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$. ■

Lemma 5.14 *Let $B^* = (\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*)$ be a given hyperbolic basis of (V, f) , let $\epsilon, \epsilon' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0, -1\}$ and let $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathbb{F} \setminus \{0\}$. Then the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent if and only if $\epsilon' = \epsilon$ and $\lambda' \in \{\lambda, -\lambda\}$.*

Proof. Since $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$, where $(\bar{e}_1^*, \bar{f}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^*, \bar{f}_2^*, \bar{e}_3^*, \bar{f}_3^*) := (\frac{(1+\epsilon) \cdot \bar{f}_1^*}{-\lambda}, \frac{\lambda}{1+\epsilon} \cdot \bar{e}_1^*, \bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*, \frac{\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*}{1+\epsilon}, \epsilon \cdot \bar{e}_2^* - \bar{e}_3^*, \frac{\bar{f}_2^* - \bar{f}_3^*}{1+\epsilon})$ is a hyperbolic basis of (V, f) , the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + (-\lambda) \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent.

Conversely, suppose that the trivectors $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ and $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*$ are $Sp(V, f)$ -equivalent. Then there exists a hyperbolic basis $B = (\bar{e}_1, \bar{f}_1, \bar{e}_2, \bar{f}_2, \bar{e}_3, \bar{f}_3)$ of (V, f) such that $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) + \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3) + \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$. By Lemma 5.7, we can distinguish two possibilities.

(a) Suppose $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3)$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$. Then $\lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) \wedge \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3) \wedge \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ and hence $\lambda\epsilon = \lambda'\epsilon'$ by Lemma 2.3. We also

have $(1 + \epsilon) \cdot \bar{f}_1^* = \pi_{B^*}(\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*)) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3)) = (1 + \epsilon') \cdot \bar{f}_1$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* = \pi_{B^*}(\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*) = \pi_B(\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1$. Hence, $\lambda(1 + \epsilon) = f(\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^*, (1 + \epsilon) \cdot \bar{f}_1^*) = f(\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1, (1 + \epsilon') \cdot \bar{f}_1) = \lambda'(1 + \epsilon')$. Together with $\lambda\epsilon = \lambda'\epsilon'$, this implies that $(\lambda', \epsilon') = (\lambda, \epsilon)$.

(b) Suppose $\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3)$. Then $\lambda \cdot \bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*) \wedge \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^* = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3)$ and hence $\lambda\epsilon = -\lambda'\epsilon'$ by Lemma 2.3. We also have $(1 + \epsilon) \cdot \bar{f}_1^* = \pi_{B^*}(\bar{f}_1^* \wedge (\bar{e}_2^* + \bar{e}_3^*) \wedge (\bar{f}_2^* + \epsilon \cdot \bar{f}_3^*)) = \pi_B(\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1 \wedge \bar{e}_2 \wedge \bar{f}_2) = \lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1$ and $\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* = \pi_{B^*}(\lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^* \wedge \bar{e}_2^* \wedge \bar{f}_2^*) = \pi_B(\bar{f}_1 \wedge (\bar{e}_2 + \bar{e}_3) \wedge (\bar{f}_2 + \epsilon' \cdot \bar{f}_3)) = (1 + \epsilon') \cdot \bar{f}_1$. Hence, $-(1 + \epsilon)\lambda = f((1 + \epsilon) \cdot \bar{f}_1^*, \lambda \cdot \bar{e}_1^*) = f(\lambda' \cdot \bar{e}_1, (1 + \epsilon') \cdot \bar{f}_1) = \lambda'(1 + \epsilon')$. Together with $\lambda\epsilon = -\lambda'\epsilon'$, this implies that $\epsilon' = \epsilon$ and $\lambda' = -\lambda$. ■

Theorem 1.6 is a consequence of Lemmas 5.8, 5.9, 5.10, 5.11, 5.12, 5.13 and 5.14.

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